List of Preferred

FUEL ADMINISTRATION

Washington, Dec. 2.—The govern-ment's first move toward curtailing non-essential industries during the war

was made today when the fuel admin-

ernment orders, railway fuel, house-

No Direct Order Issued.

Although no direct order was issued

Fuel Administrator Garfield tonight, "to Insure fulfilling of the requirements

Emergency Requirements.

quirements operators were asked to

supply communities that run short un-expectedly.

Power to Regulate Industry.

Control of coal production and dis-tribution gives the government greater power to regulate industry than is con-tained even in the priority of ship-ment act. The two powers will be used

and Oklahoma were requested to give

those in Virginia and West Virginia to government orders railway fuel tidewater shipments for New England,

domestic requirements, public utilities

Conservation of Power.

Fuel saving through conservation of power used by electric railway com-panies is sought in a communication the fuel administration has sent to all state fuel administrators. Revision of schedules and more economic heat-

ing are among the suggestions advanced.

Paris, Dec. 2.—War crosses have been awarded to Robert P. Lamont of Evanston, Il., Benjamin Burton, Jr., of Colusa, Cal., and Herbert Hope of Oakland, Cal., of the American field

and September.

All the citations were awarded for services performed before the sections to which the men were attached were incorporated in the American army.

TROOPS AT CAMP DEVENS

AMERICANS WIN WAR

than 5.000 were mailed.

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The preferential lists went to virtu-

fuel administration imme-

To obtain coal for emergency

coke ovens and munitions

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# THE BRITISH LINE

Encircling Movement Attempted by Bavarian Crown named acting premier. It is expected his cabinet will be only a temporary Prince Rupprecht Was a Complete Failure

#### BRITISH LINE NOT ALTERED BY GERMAN DRIVE

German Casualties in Twelve Hours of Attack Are Said to be Greater in Number Than During Any Similar Period of Fighting Since the War Began-American Engineers Who Were Trapped Fought Side by Side With the Britons and Aided in Repelling the Enemy-Austro-Germans Have Not Launched Their Expected Attack on the Northern Front in the Italian Zone-Turks Are Attacking British Positions West of Jerusalem.

nothing more than additional heavy casualties. The German war office

casualties. The German war office claims that sixty guns and more than

one hundred machine guns were cap-tured by them in the fighting of Fri-day and Saturday.

An interesing feature of the initial attack by the Germans Friday was that near Gouzeaucourt a large force of

American army engineers were trapped

in the encircling movement. They took refuge in shell craters until the British pressed forward and then, joining the British ranks fought side by side with the Britons and aided materially in repelling the enemy.

The Austro-Germans have not yet

launched their expected attack in force on the northern front in the Italian theatre, but all along this line and al-

Held For Death of Man Who it is Al-

SWEDISH MINISTER HAS

Without Making Farewell Visits to the Officials There.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 2.—Bay 1 Lowen, the Swedish minister, has departed. He did not make the customary fare-

AMERICAN SOLDIER KILLED

THE PERSON NAMED IN THE PARTY.

leged He Pushed.

The attempt of the Bavarian crown prince Rupprecht by an encircling ter their positions around Gonnelieu, movement to make nil the brilliant La Vacquerie and Bourlon, but their advance of the British General Byng efforts at at Masnieres, brought them toward Cambrai has resulted apparent-ly in complete failure. Although at certain points the Germans pierced the British lines and captured positions, men and guns, they paid dearly for their enetrprise in casualties—the lead near La Vacquerie during the course of twelve hours having been greater in numbers than during any similar period of fighting since the

Relatively the British line remains as it was before the German drive. Tactically, it is just as strong. The enemy, in great numbers has endeavored to pierce the front at Masnieres, delivering in all ten attack there, all of which were successfully repulsed. Some of the enemy succeeded by redoubled efforts in penertating the adjaining village of Les Rues Vertes, but later were driven out in a counterwere driven out in a counter-

attack.

The sharp salient formed by the occupation of Musnieres by the British was an extremely hard one to hold and during Saturday night General Byng, to Improve his line ordered the evacto improve his line ordered the evacuation of the village which was carried out unhampered by the Germans, who Sunday morning evidently had not learned of the strategic move, as they were continuing to Bombard the old position. Later Berlin announced that the village had been cleared of British. Near the southern base of the line

REPORT BY WAR COUNCIL MERIDENILIQUOR DEALER OF AMERICAN RED CROSS PLACED UNDER ARREST

Contains the Most Far-Reaching Appeals For Relief in History. Washington, Dec. 2 .- Six months of Meriden, Conn., Dec. 2. - Thomas appeals for relief in history is describ- last night by the Meriden police by Cross. It is the council's first semiofficial report and it tells how more
than forty million dollars of the hundred million dollar war fund contributed by the people has been allotted
for expenditure at home and abroad.

Demands from Europe to increase

The death of William Tighe on
Thankogiving night. Tighe's death
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Demands from Europe to increase

AUSTRIA ACCEPTS BOLSHEVIKI

OFFICE OF AN ARMISTICE

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and on the recent basis of expenses,
the council estimates that the war
fund will not last much beyond spring.
So far about \$85,000,000 in cash has
been paid into the fund by the subscribers.

Of \$40,272,657 appropriated by the
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Of \$40,272,657 appropriated by the council \$7,659,000 has been advanced to chapters for the nurchase of material and will be refunded.

For work abroad \$27,885,816 has been appropriated, \$20,601,240 of the amount going to France, where suffering has been "beyond description." For work outside of France, exclusive of \$750,000 recently sent for emergency relief in Italy, the following appropriations have been made:

Delgium \$720,001; England \$1.066. propriations have been made:
"Delgium \$720,001; England \$1.066.520; Italy \$214.000; Russia \$1.359,440;
Rumania \$1.518,398; Serbia \$493,203;
Armenians and Syrians \$1,800,000;

ENEMY INSURANCE COS

Letter by Executive Committee
American Defense Society. New York, Dec. 2.—The executive committee of the American Defense society made public tonight a letter addressed to Secretary of the Treas-ury McAdoo by Richard M. Hurd. chairman of the board of trustees of It was through the Swedish legation at Buenos Aires that Count Luxburg, when German minister to Argentine, when German minister to Argentine, sent cipher messages to Berlin, in which, among other things, he advised "sinking without trace" of Argentinian vessels by the Germans. The Swedish foreign ministry said Baron Lowen was not responsible for the tenor of the German messages, but Hjalmar Branting, Swedish minister of finance, announced in his newspaper, the Social Demokraten, in September, that the baron had been removed. the enemy fire insurance companies.

Mr. Hurd asserts that these companies now have in theis possession and will continue to receive a large

supply of maps, surveys, sonfidential reports and detailed information regarding munition plants, movements of explosives, factories and plers. He suggests that it would be prudent to withdraw this information from the

Family of Nine Burned to Death.

Botler, N. J., Dec. 2.—Mr. and Mrs.

Mores Miller and their seven children are believed to have been burnd to death early today in a fire which destroyed the two-story frame house in which they lived on a farm near here. The body of one of the children believed to the children believed to have been our at Mineola of the murting the supreme court at Mineola of the murting the supreme

### Cabled Paragraphs

Mrs. John R. Christie Dead in Paris Paris, Dec. 2.—Mrs. John Reid Chris-tie, wife of a New York insurance man

Uprisings in China. Peking, Saturday, Dec. 1.—Uprisings are in progress in the Yang-tse-Kiang provinces, including two independence movements. Rebels in Hu-Nan province are threatening to march on Hankow, General Wang Shi-Chen has been makeshift. The ministerial crisis hadisorganized the war ministry.

GALLANT CONDUCT OF U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS

hen Caught in the German Turnin Movement Near Cambrai.

With the British Army in France Saturday, Dec. 1—(By The Associate Press).—Large numbers of America rmy engineers working on the British allways in the region of Gouzeacourt, aught in the German turning movement, escaped by lying in shell holes and prone on the ground while the British fired over them. There they remained until the British were near mough to enable the Americans to oin the ranks, when they fought valantly and played an important part in replying to the enemy. The British commanders refer to their gallant behavior with the greatest enthusiasm. Americans elsewhere took a busy and in the fighting and were under the commander their control of them. ot German shell. Number of them colunteered for patrol work in the anger zone and acquitted themselves

A British general told the corre-spondent that he could not praise them oo highly. It is reported that sev eral Americans were captured but es-caped after a few hours and rejoined the British. The engineers were mainly

TRIAL BEGINS TODAY Nurse is Charged With Murder Bride at Brookline, Mass.

clet A. Varney, a nurse, will go on trial here tomorrow, charged with the murder of Mrs. Pauline A Keyes, the oride of George H. Keyes, of Brookline, a rea lestate dealer and dog fancier. Elements of mystery in the case have attracted wide interest in the de attracted wide interest in the il. Mrs. Keyes 36 years of age, was ilion tons for the country, the fuel adhusband's stenographer before if marriage. Ten months later, on the 19 last, she was found dead at edining table in her Brookkline in the table beside her with a note that the table beside her with a note apporting to explain why she had emmitted suicide.

Years' Facing a coal should go ministration determined that a radical step was necessary if essential industries and public utilities were to be kept running. It turned down suggestions that a list of non-essential industries be prepared to which coal should be denied and established instead the preferential list as less likely to injure the banking credit of con-

theatre, but all along this line and also along the Piave River to the Adriatic Sea violent artillery duels are in progress. Near Meletta an attempt by the enemy to break the Italian line, delivered with preliminary artillery preparation of great intensity was put down and the attacking forces compelled to fiee:

In Palestine the Turks west of Jerusalem continue to attack the British The state asserts that Miss Varney by to injure the banking credit of conslav Mrs. Keyes, whom she regarded will suffer, as her rival in the affections of Keyes in Palestine the Turks west of Jerusalem continue to attack the British positions, but everywhere they have been repulsed with heavy losses.

At one place the Ottomans penetrated a British position but later were ejected from it Jeaving prisoners in the hands of the British.

VIENNA PAPER ASKS FOR

ENGLAND'S PEACE TERMS Says Austria is Not Affected by Dissensions Between England and Ger-

jointly and a general priority order already prepared by the committee on priority will fit in with the request to Amsterdam. Dec. 2.—The Vienna Neue Freie Presse invites England to consider whether it is not possible to open peace pourparlers. It considers that such an invitation should properly come from Austria, because the discontinuous properly come from Austria. that such an invitation should proper-ly come from Austria, because the disensions between England and Germany dating from the death of Queen Victoria do not directly affect Aus-tria. Coal producing fields. Operators in Ohio. Michigan, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Alabama, Tennessee Colorado

OFFER OF AN ARMISTICE

Conference at German Headquarters

London, Dec. 2.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Petrograd says that Leon Trotzky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, addressing the Petrograd workmen's council Friday, announced workmen's council Friday, announced Austria-Hungary's acceptance of the Bolsheviki offer of an armistice. He said that Russian delegates would attend Sunday's conference at German headquarters but that nevertheless they would be on their guard against contingencies for bourgeoisie always was dexterous in manipulating poli? cies so as to face about on what appears to be an obvious truth. pears to be an obvious truth.

LEFT BUENOS AIRES BOSTON TO HAVE RED December 7 They Will Donate Matines Receipts to War Work.

service.

Mr. Lamont's left hand was torn off by a shell on Oct. 7. Mr. Burton and Mr. Hope drove a motor truck under heavy bombardment on Oct. 8, two men with them being killed.

A divisional citation has been awarded to Philip Rice of Wilkesbarre, Pa., for bravery in carrying wounded men from the battlefield under heavy fire in the Verdun sector in August and September. Boston, Dec. 2.—This city is preparing to do its part toward making the national Red Cross theatre day, December 7, a success The leading theatres will give special matinee performances of their regular attractions and donate the gross proceeds to the Red Cross Committees appointed jointly by the led Cross and the theatre managers will issue several thousand to kets of varying prices, to be exchanged by purchasers for reserved seats in whatever theatre they choose to attend.

FISH FRY TO STOCK

# Thrift Stamps on Coal Consumers Sale This Morning

HAS BEEN PERFECTED BY THE CAMPAIGN IS TO CONTINUE IT OPERATION ONE YEAR

SENT TO PRODUCERS TO RAISE \$2,000,000,000

The Government Makes First Move Public Meetings Have Been Planne Toward Curtailing Non-Essential Infor the First Few Weeks of the Campaign in Nearly Every Locality dustries During the War-Priority is Asked for a Period of Thirty Day-It is Expected Producers Will Comply. Largest Certificate.

Washington. Dec. 2.—America's new-est plan for raising war funds and encouraging habits of thrift will go inistration sent to coal producers a pre-ferred list of consumers to serve as a guide in filling orders. The list estab-lishes preferential shipment for govings stamps and certificates at post-offices and banks. The campaign is to continue for a year in expectation of receiving the \$2,000,000,000 maximum

Expect Children to Invest. The smallest unit in the war sav-ings plan is the thrift stamp which costs 25 cents: the largest is the wa requiring operators to give the list savings certificate, which cases \$82.40 preference, a definite request was made and is redeemable in five years at \$100 and fuel administration officials be-lieve it will be followed. The priority is asked for a period of thirty days. "The requests are designed," said expect many millions of per inded quarterly. Officials charge of the progressive campaign expect many millions of persons, in ng children and families cluding children and families small means, to invest regularly in stamps as a means of helping the na-tion win the war and laying aside money to be returned to them ater.

of those coal users whose activities are essential to the military and economic efficiency of the hation in the conduct of the war." Postoffices Have Big Supplies. Every postoffice in the country has big suppy of the stamps, and from the twelve federal reserve banks shipments of stamps and certicates were rus diately of the amounts of their free to banks today so that the sale might tonnage. This coal will be used to open with a rush tomorrow. By the end of the week arrangements will be and savings societies.

Allotments for Each State.

ally every operator in the country, ex-cept in the Rocky mountain distrats, which serve local consumers. More Allotments for each state and six districts into which the country has been divided for organization pur-poses have been made and will be an-To Take Radical Steps if Necessary, nounced tomorrow. Every state di-rector then will assign a certain porion of expected sales to each cour ty, city, town or sub-division, on the basis of about \$20 for each person. The competition between states or sub-divisions is counted on strongly by those promoting the movement to stimulate interest, and a number of optimistic state directors reported today that they expect to reach their quotas within three months.

Preparations for the war savings campaign have been under way in Washington for several months under York, and supervised by Secretary Mc-Adoo. A federal director for each of the six districts and a director for each state, with two each for New York, Pennsylvania and California will report to the savings committee. Un-der the directors are state committees of industries trade or professional interests and also local committees. Public Meetings Planned.

for the first few weeks of the campaign in nearly every locality. Mr. Vanderlater for Alaska Hawaii, Porto Rico Billboard advertising, circulars an

street car posters have been provided in most states to boost the sale of stamps, particularly for Christmas presents. Officials believe many millions will be purchased in the next three weeks for this purpose. MRS. DE SAULLES ACQUITTED

OF MURDER OF HUSBAND in the Verdict No Reference Was

Mineola, N. Y., Dec. 2.—It required byut one hour and forty-three minutes for a jury in supreme court here last night to reach a verdict of not guilty in the trial of Mrs. Blanca De Saulles for the murder of her divorced husband, John L. De Saulles, former Yale tootball star and clubman, at his home CROSSES IN FRANCE

Mrs. De Saulles, who had maintained an air of extreme self-possession throughout the two weeks of the trial, received the verdict smilingly. She shook hands with each of the jurors as they left the box and to each gave a nod of appreciation.

In the verdict no reference whatever was made to insanity. It was a place was made to insanity. It was a plea of temporary loss of accountability which formed the basis of the defendant's case.

STREET CAR SERVICE IN ST. PAUL HELD U Union Sympathizers Smashed Windows and Otherwise Damaged Cars.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2.—Street car service in St. Paul was suddenly interrupted late this afterneon when a large crowd of men, said to be union sympathizers, stopped all cars in the downtown section, smashed windows and otherwise damaged the cars, and forced the motormen and conductors to leave their cars. One trainman who offered resistance was injured. Fully fifty damaged cars are tonight stalled in the downtown district. All other cars were ordered to

New arrivals from Meriden and New Haven, Conn., who have not yet re-ceived uniforms, were drilled today in squad marching so they could take their place in the parade. Many of them were without overcoats and the cold kept them on the jump. Haven, Conn., who have not yet received uniforms, were drilled today in squad marching so they could take their place in the parade. Many of them were without overcoats and the cold kept them on the jump.

PROBLEM OF SHIPPING

SOLVED BY THE ANLIES.

Bainbridge Colby So Asserts at Inter-Allied Conference in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 2—The problem of shipping has been solved by the allies. Bainbridge Colby, representative of the American shipping board at the inter-allied conference, said today.

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A Peasley of Chereas a child to escape from an epidemic of cholera. The funeral will be held in Worthington, O., Tuesday. Bainbridge Colby, representative of the American shipping board at the inter-allied conference, said today.

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# Condensed Telegrams

The Rainbow Division is safe in The navy will need 26,000 recruits Maximilists troops occupy the Petro grad State Bank.

Europe is suffering from a serious

A call for 5,000 men was sent out the United States Naval Reserve. The Canadian Government will as-

next year. John F. Carroll, the former Tam-many leader, left an estate amounting to \$491,095.

Germany's war credit of 15,000,000,-000 marks passed second reading in New export duties have been place

ed on hides and rubber by the Mexi-can Government. The crop area of Calgary, Alta, is being increased approximately 15 per

cent for next season. Great Britain has extended its conrol over raw horsehides to leather produced from horsehides.

oats from Cuba arrived in New York to end the sugar famine Harvard students training for the of-

ficers' reserve corps have been warned against slighting their regular studies. The Okalhoma crop report for the month of December puts the candition of wheat at 51, against 84 a year ago. A 17-year-old schoolboy was arrest-ed at Cassel. Germany, for stealing art treasures of the Kaiser from the pal-

A call for inspectors of shoes and leather has been issued by the Quarter-master Corps of the Army and Marine

W. H. Maxwell, superintendent of New York schools, who has been in the Flushing Hospital for two months,

One hundred carloads of apples will be sent to the American soldiers in France by the fruit trade of the United States.

An 800-acre farm, which was prairie land three years ago, was sold at Sasakatoon, tion of \$42,200. Sask., for a considera A lightship stationed near White Island in the lower St. Lawrence, is adrift on the ice. She has a crew of

six or eight men. Stockholders of the Aetna Mills will neet in Boston on Dec. 4 to authorize

An American patrol boat which ran ashore on the North Atlantic Coast two weeks ago was refloated and taken into port for repairs. Anti-British motion picture films dealing with the Revolutionary War, were seized by the Federal authori-

ties at Los Angeles, Cal. Since the advent of cooler weather the bringing of a hundred soldiers to

Field Marshal Haig of the British armies wears the heavy cavalry sabre in preference to the ivory handled sword prescribed for officers of his

Passengers on the Broadway Limited arriving in Chicago doated their refund checks, for \$1 each—the train was an hour late—to the Red Cross.

Posetto Angelo, address unknown was shot and killed by Policeman

More tentage will be used at Camp Wheeler Macon, Ga., as a sanitary measure. Hereafter, only five men

Leave of absence for a year was granted to Rev. Oscar E. Maurer of Center church, New Haven, that he With 4,000 of the first American bal-lots cast upon Europen soil, C. L. Grant one of the special election com-mittee of three, has returned from

American troops using trenches con-structed by the French have found they must dig a few inches deeper, as the average American is taller than the

Immediate expulsion of all American draft evaders in the northern district of Lower California, has been ordered by Col. Esteban Cantu, mili-

Indefinite leave of absence was ranted its pastor, the Rev. Edgar R. Hyde, by the First Baptist church, Middletown, that he may engage in war work with the Y. M. C. A.

The cotton mills of New Bedford, employing over 30,000 operatives, may be obliged to close Tuesday as the result of a strike vote of the mill firemen's union today. The firemen demand an eight hour day.

Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, daughter of President Wilson, sounded the open-ing call in the drive to secure \$200,000 In New England for the \$4,000,000 Young Women's Christian Association war work fund, with an address to

## **CONGRESS CONVENES AT NOON TODAY**

President Wilson Will Sound the Keynote of the Legislative Program in His Opening Address Tomorrow

### ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETE FOR LONG SESSION

The Navy Department is equipped A Feature of the Opening Day Will be the Receipt of Appropriation Estimates, Aggregating Many Billions of Dollars, for War and Governmental Purposes-The President's Message is Said to be Unusually Long, Dealing With Many Matters of International and Domestic Moment-Unless the President Recommends Further Declarations of War, Little Business is Planned This Week by Congressional Leaders.

> cond war session Most of the senate and house mem-ers tonight had arrived and all arrangements were complete for what romised to be another epochal and ngthy session. Increased determination of the American people for vigorous prosecution of the war to victory was the message universally

rought by the returning members. Brief Sessions Today. Brief and routine opening session are scheduled for tomorrow in both senate and house. Immediately after convening and appointing committees to formally notify President Wilson and each other that the second sesion of the sixty-fifth congress readiness, adjournments will be taken out of respect to members who died during the recess—Senator Husting of Wisconsin, who was accidentally shot, and Representative Martin of Illinois. Another feature of the opening day will be receipt of appropriation estimates, aggregating many billions of

dollars, for war and general govern-mental purposes for the next fiscal President's Address Tomorrow. The keynote of the legislative programme, both in its effect on war and domestic concerns, will be sounded Tuesday by President Wilson in his annual opening address to be delivered in the house chamber at 12.30 p.
m., at a joint session. It will be the president's first appearance before president's first appearance before congress since the historic night meeting of April 2 at the opening of the special session called to permit him to ask for the declaration of war against Germany.

Public printers were today at work on the message the delivery of which

on the message, the delivery of which is awaited with unusual interest be-cause of the opportunity it presents for comment upon the war accom-plishments and aims of the nation, in its relations with the allies, the upheaval in Russia, the reverses of Italy and the immediate policy as to Ger-many's allies. The message is said to be unusually long and dealing with mestic moment. A recommendation for a declaration of war against Austria-Hungary is not generally expect-ed. Other messages on special sub-jects during the session are expected

Little Business This Week. Unless the president recommends further declarations of war, little bus-iness is planned this week by coniness is planned this week by congressional leaders. A week-end recess probably will be taken to have appropriation committees begin preliminary surveys of the mammoth supply measures and the session is not expected to get into its stride until after the Christmas holidays, when a stream of appropriation bills will be in flood. Few members expect the session to end before the fall congressional elections. Sensor Martin demonstrates session to end before the fail congressional elections. Senator Martin, democratic leader, today predicted that the session would last until next August at least, while many members believe it may merge with the final session of the sixty-fifth congress next December. next December.

Before the holiday recess, which
Speaker Clark and others favor abandoning, disposition of the nation prohibition question is to be presse

Revenue legislation will not be taken up immediately, but a deficien-cy appropriation bill before the holidays to care for unexpected war ex-penditures is probable. The senati democrats' steering committee and house ways and means committee may meet this week to discuss tentative legislative programmes, but no party caucuses or conference for that purcaucuses or conference for that purpose are planned.

Early activities will include consideration by senate committees of Senator La Foliette's much-discussed St.
Paul speech, and railroad transpertation problems. The senate privileges
and election committee will meet formorrow to extend the time for its
sub-committee's investigation of the

morrow to extend the time for its sub-committee's investigation of the La Follette speech. Chairman Pomerene today arranged with Former Secretary Bryan, who will be the principal witness to testify December 11. No sessions are planned meanwhile. Mr. Bryan is expected to repeat before the committee his denial of Senator La Follette's assertion that he knew ammunition was loaded on the Lusitania and pleaded with President Wilson to prevent her sailing.

Transportation questions will considered Tuesday when the New-lands joint congressional committee resumes its inquiry into general rail-road matters, including government

road matters, including government ownership.

In fiscal legislation congress is awaiting suggestions from President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo. The administration is reported disposed to recommend new bond issues rather than taxes to meet immediate needs.

Representative Kitchin, democratic leader in the house, upon his return here today, announced there would be no new revenue legislation attempted until along toward the middle of the session and that he expected the session to be a prolenged one.

Statement by Leader Kitchin.

"There is nothing definite about

There is nothing definite about the revenue pregramme yet," he said. "I have no plan of my own yet except to work. I may call the ways and means committee together the last of this week to talk over and agree upon some legislative programme. It's too early to say anything about the revenue. I haven't talk over any bath any had a conference three this meaning for America. They were busy compiling reports and clearing up minor details in conference with their brench and British associates.

Pershing and Northeliffe Confer. Paris, Dec. 2.—General Pershing too commander of the American expeditionary forces, and Viscount Northeliffe revenue. I haven't talk with any had a conference three this meaning.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Congress re- one on the subject yet. I expect the ssembles tomorrow at noon for its main thing between now and that Christmas bolidays will be appropria-tion bills, which are to be pressed

Both Mr. Kitchin and Chairman mittee, who largely directed the making of the war tax law, postponed statements regarding the probable form of tax legislation.

"But the fundamental principle of the law is sound," said Mr. Simmons, "and cannot be successfully attack-ed." Revision of Tax Law.

Many members of congress are awaiting the opportunity to seek re-vision of the tax law, including those advocating heavier drafts of war profits. Closer scrutiny of war expenditures and appropriations also is promised, both by prominent cratic and republican leaders with the latter prepared to renew their campaign for a congressional committee to supervise such

New Treaties to Be Submitted. Foreign affairs promise to receive much senate attention. New treaties to be submitted will provide for drafting of aliens. The treaty paying \$25,-000,000 to Colombia is still pending. Some senators also are privately dis posed to ask questions about the ap-pointment of Colonel House and others to the inter-allied conference as wall as about the Chinese pact nego-tiated by Secretary Lansing with Vis-count Ishil of Japan.

Calendars of both senate and house re filled with bills and resolutions are filled with bills and resolutions left over from the last session while many new ones are scheduled troduction tomorrow. The We permitting American exporters to combine in foreign trade is the sen-ate's unfinished business. Speaker Clark planned today to or-

der a call of the unanimous calendar in the house tomorrow be-cause of the large number of bills left over on that calendar but he was not at all hopeful of going ahead with them, particularly as many of the representatives, finding it difficult to find Gillett Republican Leader.

A conference of republican representatives probably will be held at the outset of the session to discuss minority matters. Representative Mann of Illinois, the republican floor leader, has been under treatment in Baltimore and his presence tomorrow is not expected. In his absence the Baltimore and his presence tomorrow is not expected. In his absence the leadership naturally falls to Representative Giliett of Massachusetts, who is the next ranking member of the republican steering committee. Until the selection of the steering committee at the last session of congress the ranking republican of the ways and means committee, usually was floor leader, but Representative Fordney of Michigan, who holds that rank, is not a member of the steering committee. Ranking members of the rana, is not a memoer of the steering committee. Ranking members of the steering committee in their order are Representatives Mann, Gillett, Mon-dell, Moore and Lenroot. Mr. Lenroot

AUTHORITY OF THE

By Ministers of Finance, Agriculture

Petrograd, Dec. 2.—The employes of the ministries of finance, agriculture and communications have regused to recognize the authority of the Boi-

two days.

The military revolutionary committee sent a safer to the ministry of supplies to ascertain the amount of meat and other food in Petrograd. The official in charge declined to deal with an agent of the revolutionists and rean agent of the revolutionists and refused the information.

BRYAN PREDICTS A FEDERAL

in Address at Opening Session of An nual Convention of W. C. T. U.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Ratification by the states of a prohibition amendment to the federal constitution within two years was predicted tonight by William Jennings Bryan, speaking before the opening session of the annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union. With 26 states already dry and prohibition territory spreading in others. Mr. Bryan said a spreading in others, Mr. Bryan said ederal amendment before 1920 seeme

Nearly one thousand delegates, representing every state, are here for the convention, which will continue until

AMERICAN WAR MISSION

Clearing Up Minor Details Prepara-tory to Returning Home. Paris, Dec. 2.—The members of the American war mission began winding up their affairs today preparatory to leaving for America. They were busy compiling reports and clearing up minor details in conference with their prench and British associates.